



STATE OF WASHINGTON
HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD

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RESOLUTION NO. 04-17

WHEREAS, The Higher Education Coordinating Board (HECB) was directed by the legislature and governor in the 2004 supplemental state budget (HB 2459) to distribute approximately 324 new full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollments to high-demand fields and programs at the state's baccalaureate colleges and universities during the 2004-05 academic year; and

WHEREAS, The Higher Education Coordinating Board developed and implemented a competitive process for awarding the new enrollments in consultation with the Office of Financial Management and the legislative fiscal and higher education committees; and

WHEREAS, Upon the completion of that process the board received recommendations for the distribution of the new enrollments and associated funding from a review committee whose members included representatives of the board and the Office of Financial Management, industry and education experts and labor-market specialists; and

WHEREAS, The board agrees with its review committee that the proposals recommended for funding represent an excellent opportunity to expand enrollment in fields that are experiencing strong enrollment demand, and whose graduates are in demand among Washington employers;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the HECB approves the recommendations of its high-demand enrollment review committee and directs the staff to execute interagency agreements with the successful institutions for the allocation of the new enrollments and the release of related funding; and


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the HECB staff is directed to work with the institutions to address any remaining unresolved issues related to the interagency agreements, and to work with the Office of Financial Management to develop consistent methods of tracking and reporting the expanded enrollments to the legislature and governor; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the board extends its sincere thanks and appreciation to the members of the review committee who evaluated each proposal and invested significant time and effort to develop an excellent funding recommendation.

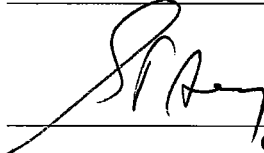
Adopted:

July 22, 2004

Attest:



Bob Craves, Chair



Gay Selby, Vice Chair